

(Washington, DC) - "President Obama's State of the Union address set the tone the American people and Congress needed to hear. Families are hurting in this economy and it is time to take action to create jobs, build a new foundation of confidence for the middle class, and invest in America's economic future. The President is absolutely right that the challenges facing our nation are great and Congress needs to end the partisan political games and get to work advancing the people's business." *Congresswoman Betty McCollum (MN-4) serves on the House Appropriations and Budget Committees.*